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IN THE SUPREME COURT STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:	
PETITION TO AMEND	Supreme Court No. R-16-0014
RULES 35 and 36, RULES OF)
THE SUPREME COURT	

Pursuant to Rule 28, Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court, the Attorney Regulation Advisory Committee (ARC), respectfully submits comments in support of the above-referenced proposed rule amendments.

On March 2, and April 13, 2016, ARC held regularly scheduled meetings and reviewed the rule petition. As a result of those meetings, members agreed to support the intent of the petition. Some members expressed concern that the rule amendments, as currently written, may lead some to conclude that the Supreme Court will only order medical reports to be sealed. ARC requests that the amendment be clarified in a manner to provide that in addition to the medical records, other records may be sealed upon order of the Court. ARC voted unanimously to support the changes recommended in this petition.

ARC respectfully requests the petitions the Supreme Court to adopt modifications to Rules 35 and 36 as proposed.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 20% day of May 2016.

By Lawrence F. Winthrop, Chair

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